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In re Application of:

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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.313

The purpose of this communication is to inform you that the above-identified application is being withdrawn from issue pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.313.

The above-identified application is hereby withdrawn from issue. The Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due and the Notice of Allowability mailed April 10, 2003, are hereby vacated.

The application is being withdrawn to permit reopening of prosecution. The reasons therefor will be communicated to you by the examiner.

Upon receipt of a new Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, applicant may request that any previously submitted issue fee be applied toward payment of the issue fee in the amount identified on the new Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due. If the application is abandoned, applicant may request either a refund, or a credit to a Deposit Account.

Telephone inquires should be directed to Brian Sircus at (571) 272-2058.

The above-identified application is being forwarded to the examiner for prompt appropriate action.

Richard Seidel, Director Technology Center 2800

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